GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Treasuries and Accounts Department – Guntur District -Departmental proceedings against Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, the then Sub Treasury Officer (Retd.) Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu, Guntur District under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991— Articles of charges issued –Explanation Called for – Reg.

FINANCE (ADMN.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No.15 **Dated: 17.01.2023**
Read the following:

G.O. Ms. No.9, Fin (Admn.I) Department, dated.17.01.2023.

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ORDER:

1. In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under Sub clause (i) of clause (b) of Sub rule (2) of Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, STO (Retd.), the then Sub Treasury Officer at Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu in the G.O. cited, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, STO (Retd.), the then Sub Treasury Officer at Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 in connection with Irregular payments of PRC - 2010 arrears to the contract employees of Medical & Health Department under 300- OCS in Guntur Dist.

2. The substance of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge. A statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of article of the charge is enclosed (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which the article of charge is proposed to be sustained is also enclosed (Annexure-II).

3. Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, STO (Retd.), the then Sub Treasury Officer at Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu is directed to submit her written statement of defence within (10) days of the receipt of this order and also to state whether she desires to be heard in person.

4. Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, STO (Retd.), the then Sub Treasury Officer at Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges, which are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, STO (Retd.), the then Sub Treasury Officer at Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defence within the stipulated time, further action will be taken as per provisions of rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

(P.T.O.)

6. She is specifically informed that this memo., does not preclude the Government to frame fresh charge/charges, if any further irregularity/irregularities are noticed during the course of disciplinary action.

7. Receipt of this G.O. may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHAMSHER SINGH RAWAT
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, STO (Retd.), the then Sub Treasury Officer at Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu through the Director of Treasuries and Accounts, AP, Mangalagiri.

Copy to:
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Mangalagiri. He is requested to serve the above G.O. on the retired officer and return the served copy with her dated signature immediately.
SF/SCs (77158)

31/10/2022 03:30pm

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

Statement of articles of charges framed against Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, the then Sub Treasury Officer (retired) Sub Treasury Pedakurapadu, Guntur District.

Article of charge:

"That the said Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, the then Sub Treasury Officer (retired) while working in Sub Treasury Pedakurapadu had passed 2010PRC arrears bills irregularly to contract employees of Medical & Health Department under SDH-300 (OCS) (02/2010 to 03/2013) relating to PHCs under the jurisdiction of Sub Treasury Pedakurapadu in Guntur District, without observing the required checks in the bills and not following the procedures prescribed by the Government. She, thereby, failed to discharge her duties as a responsible Government Servant, exhibited misconduct, and thus violated Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

Basis of the Charge:

On verification of Budget control register of MO, PHC, Pedakurapadu, TBR of MO, PHC, Attaluru and sanction proceedings of MO, PHC, Athaluru the Medical Officer & DDO, MO, PHC, Pedakurapadu, MO, PHC, Attaluru, Guntur District had submitted the following bills to Sub Treasury, Pedakurapadu for the period from 02/2010 to 03/2013 in various PHCs under the jurisdiction of Sub Treasury Pedakurapadu in Guntur District towards PRC arrears 2010 in respect of the contract employees of the MO, PHC, Pedakurapadu, MO, PHC, Attaluru Guntur District under detailed Head of Account 2210-03-103-04-300 OCS.

Sl.No	PRC arrear bill token no & Date	Gross Amount (in Rs.)
1	2799, 04-02-2013	2,69,268
2	2317, 20-12-2012	1,85,474
3	2572, 09-01-2013	1,83,912
	TOTAL	**Rs.6,38,654**

(P.T.O.)

As per G.O.Ms. No. 52, Finance (PC-I) Department Dated. 25-02-2010, the revised pay scales 2010 will not apply to the employees who are engaged on contract and or on out sourcing basis. As per G.O.Ms. No.3, Finance (PC-I) Department, Dated. 12.01.2011 the revised remunerations shall be allowed to the employees who are engaged on contract and or on out sourcing basis with effect from the date of issue of the orders. But, Smt. M. Ratna Kumari has allowed the bills with effect from 01.02.2010 to31.03.2013 (instead of from 12.01.2011) irregularly, which resulted in huge amount of loss sustained Govt., exchequer. Smt. M. Ratna Kumari as a Sub Treasury Officer, should follow the Government Orders/instructions/manuals/codes, while passing the bills. But she failed to do so. She, thereby, failed to discharge her duties as a responsible Government Servant, exhibited misconduct, and thus violated Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

Thus the charge.

SHAMSHER SINGH RAWAT
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

ANNEXURE-II

List of documents by which the articles of charge framed against Smt. M. Ratna Kumari, the then Sub Treasury Officer (retired) Sub Treasury Pedakurapadu, Guntur District as proposed to be sustained.

1. G.O. Ms. No. 52, Finance (PC-I) Department, Dated. 25-02-2010.
2. G.O. Ms. No. 3, Finance (PC-I) Department, Dated. 12.01.2011.
3. Copy of Budget Control Register of PHC Pedakurapadu.
4. Copy of proceedings in respect of PRC arrears sanctioned to the contract employees of MO, PHC Athaluru.
5. Copy of TBR of MO, PHC Athaluru.
6. Copy of attendance register of 03/2013.
7. Copy of office order for the year 2013.

SHAMSHER SINGH RAWAT
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT